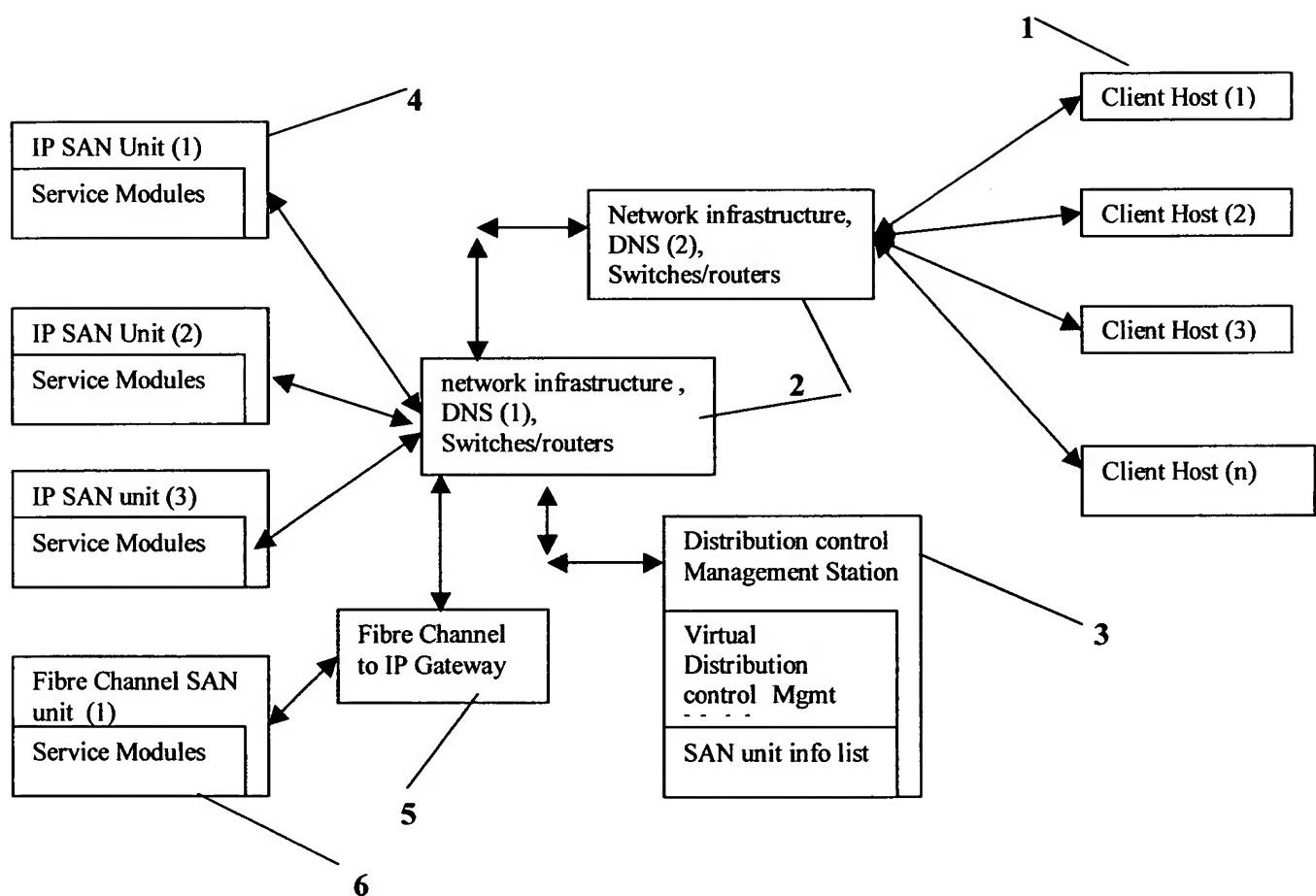
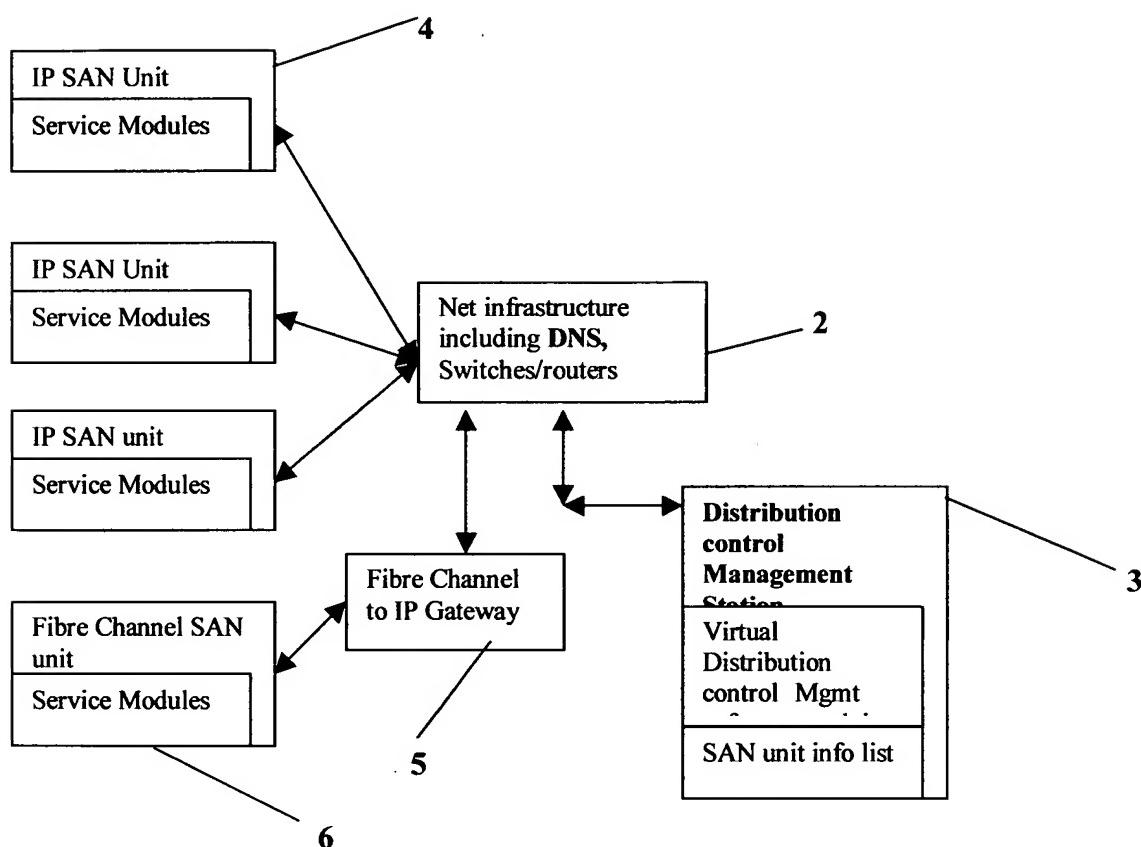
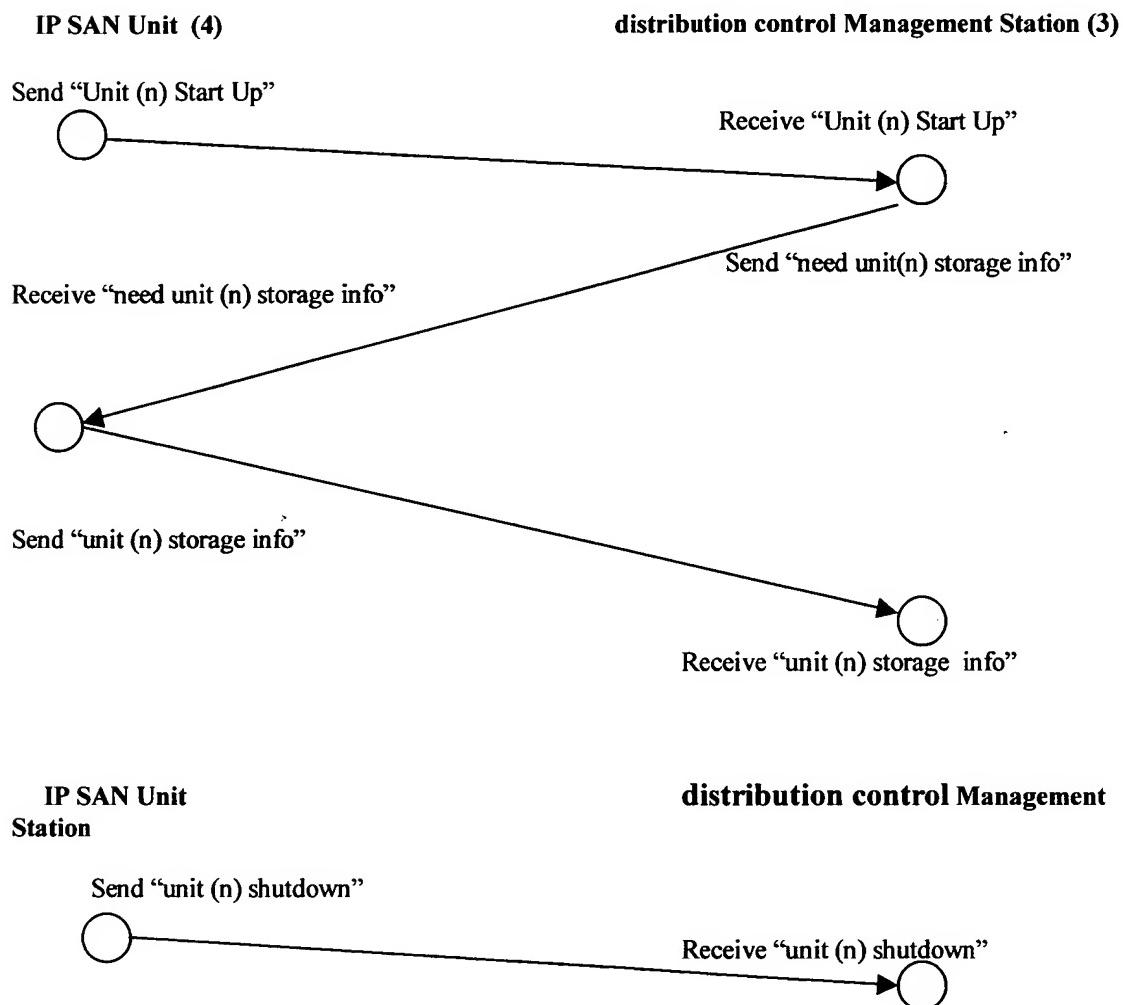


Distributed Virtual SAN Infrastructure**Fig. 1**

The Components of Distributed Virtual SAN**Fig. 2**

Virtual SAN Automatic Configuration Protocol**Fig. 3**

The UDP packet format used by “Virtual SAN Auto Configuration Protocol”

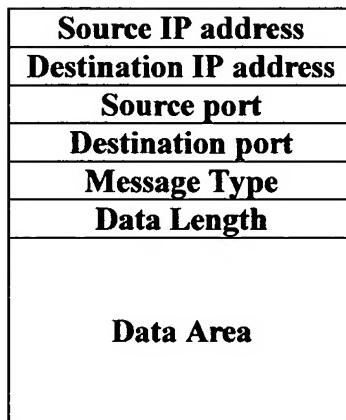
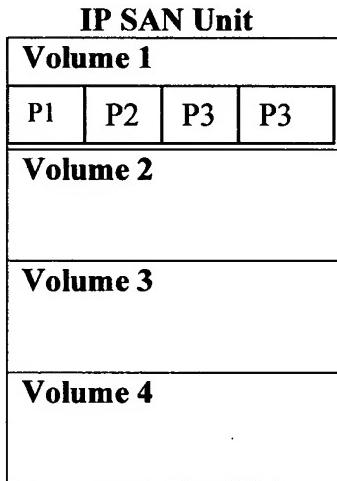


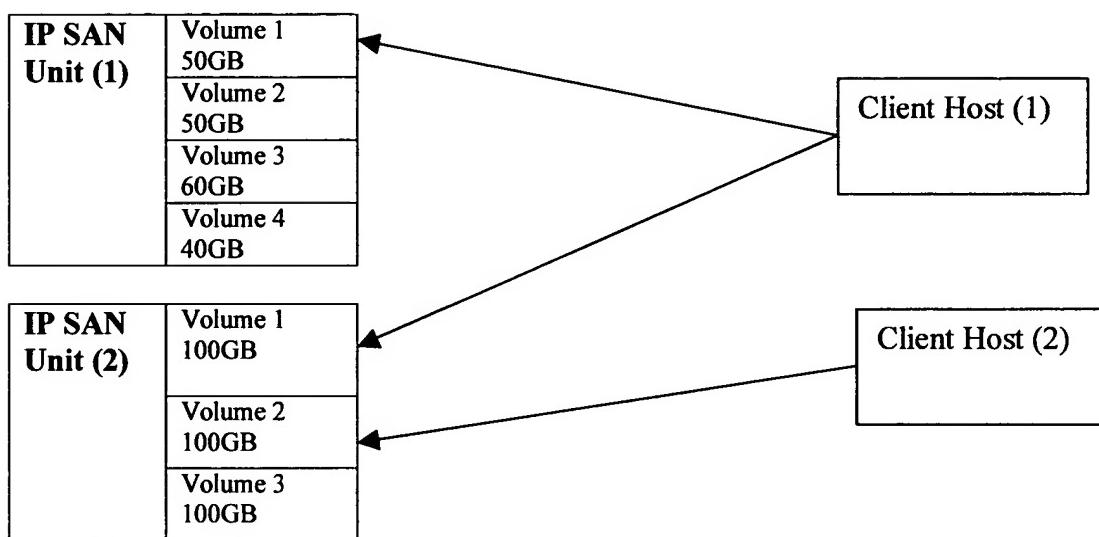
Fig. 4

Example of Storage Volume Information of an IP SAN Unit



Note: Each volume may further be partitioned into small chunk of partition.

Fig. 5

A Hypothetical Example of Storage Volume Requests and Assignments**Fig. 6**